

National Outstanding Advisor Engineering Futures: Managing Growth



President D.M. Green (left) presents the 1999 award plaque to Kansas Gamma Advisor Eddie R. Fowler, KS Γ 57.

The 1998-99 academic year was another great one for the Tau Beta Pi Engineering Futures Program. Students had fun learning the leadership skills at the 199 Engineering Futures sessions that were presented. We have had 59 requests for sessions as of November 1, 1999. This year is destined to shatter last year's record total of sessions. The planning board realizes this growth trend is challenging and would like to help simplify the process of hosting a session.

To meet the increasing need for chapter coordination and advisement, the lead facilitator program was developed. The lead facilitator's major responsibilities are to be the point of contact in his/her assigned District and to share the importance and value of the materials covered in the EF Program. Lead facilitators aim to build a relationship to encourage chapters to host sessions by ensuring that all chapters are contacted at least once a semester. The lead facilitator can answer questions about the four EF modules, hosting requirements, and scheduling. Several volunteers will be lead facilitators for the Districts below.

The seventh Tau Beta Pi National Outstanding Advisor will be named at the 2000 Convention. The award, which includes a plaque, \$1,000 to the winner, and \$1,000 in the name of the winner to the dean's discretionary fund, exists to recognize outstanding performance by a chapter advisor.

Chapters may recommend one mentor for the award based upon his or her contributions. A nominating committee from the chapter, excluding but in consultation with the advisor-nominee, should prepare the nomination material and send it to the Secretary-Treasurer by March 21. The following material should be sent in triplicate (please refer to the President's Book, pp. C-31):

- (1) A letter of nomination from the chapter, which specifies the manner in which the nominee has fulfilled, with sustained excellence (for a minimum of three years), the role of advisor, consistent with the mission of Tau Beta Pi. The letter must be signed by each member of the Advisory Board, excepting the nominee.
- (2) A letter from the dean of engineering, supporting the nomination and addressing the closeness of the interaction of the advisor-nominee with the administration, on behalf of the chapter.
- (3) A letter from a District Director, supporting the nomination and addressing the closeness of the interaction of the advisor-nominee with the District Program.
- (4) A one- to three-page description of the contributions of the nominee to the chapter. This should address the manner in which the nominee fulfills the advisor position in support of the mission of Tau Beta Pi.
- (5) A résumé of the nominee, not to exceed three pages.

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Nominate a 2000 Laureate

Tau Beta Pi inaugurated the Laureate Program in 1981 to honor those student members who have demonstrated exceptional talent outside the field of engineering.

Look among your members for an outstanding student. Chapters may nominate one or more members as a Laureate based upon their contributions in arts, athletics, service, or diverse achievements. Laureates each receive a \$2,500 cash award, recognition at the Convention, and publicity in THE BENT.

A chapter nominating committee, excluding but in consultation with the candidate, should assemble the nomination package and send it to the Secretary-Treasurer by March 15. Appropriate materials should be sent in triplicate (please refer to the President's Book, pp. C-29 & 30).

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If you need additional information about the EF Program or how to host a session at your school, please contact the appropriate lead facilitator or continue to ask Headquarters. Tau Beta Pi looks forward to helping your chapters continue to grow and learn valuable leadership skills as the EF volunteers strive for another great year of working with and serving you!

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